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SUBJECT: OAPEC SECRETARY GENERAL VISITS PARIS

REF: EC BRUSSELS 7924

1. OAPEC SECRETARY GENERAL ATTIGA HAS MADE UNANNOUNCED
THREE-DAY VISIT TO PARIS FOLLOWING HIS CONVERSATIONS
WITH EC OFFICIALS IN BRUSSELS. WHILE HERE, HE HAS MET
WITH OFFICIALS FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AS WELL AS BANKING AND BUSINESS
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CIRCLE. VIGNAL, OF OIL OFFICE IN MFA, HAS TOLD US

THAT GOF OFFICIALS WERE SOMEWHAT PLEASED TO FIND ATTIGA CLEARLY CONCERNED OVER GROWING EFFORTS OF CONSUMING COUNTRIES TO REDUCE OIL CONSUMPTION AND DEVELOP ENERGY ALTERNATIVES. ATTIGA ARGUED THAT CONSUMERS WOULD BE WORKING AGAINST THEIR OWN INTERESTS IF THEY CONTINUED CONSUMPTION CUTS AND DEVELOPED HIGH-PRICED ENERGY SOURCES; BEST FOR ALL CONCERNED WOULD BE EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE LONG-TERM ENERGY SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH LOWER COST (I.E., OAPEC). ACCORDING TO VIGNAL, MFA RESPONSES TO THIS LINE WERE CORDIAL BUT NONCOMMITTAL, BUT ATTIGA'S SESSION WITH ENERGY DELEGATE GENERAL BLACARD (WHO BELIEVES OIL PRICES MUST FALL) HAD BEEN QUITE "TENSE".
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